

## Iron County Register

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Say what you think, but not all.

"Harvard is after \$1,200,000." So are several other people.

A Russian doctor has confessed that he killed forty people. Few doctors are as frank.

The lament is made that the supply of crabs is going backward. But that is the nature of crabs.

It is a good idea to stay away from a powder magazine, even when you "know" it isn't loaded.

Advocates of a universal language seem to forget that we have an effective one already—the language of the eyes.

That Chicago woman who takes taxi-cab rides to cure the blues evidently isn't blue because she hasn't any money.

With the millennium and the Panama exposition both scheduled for 1915, one or the other will have to give way.

Stoughton, Wis., has the largest steel ski hill in the world. This shows that almost any town can beat the world at something.

The new Manhattan bridge may now be said to be in successful operation. A man committed suicide by jumping off it the other day.

The author of "Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight" has been discovered in Texas. Well, Texas is big enough to stand almost anything.

A young American heir is to marry the daughter of a non-royal family. Is this the first step in a crusade to even up a long uneven balance?

A Scranton, Pa., man has refused an offer of \$1,000 for a hen. He must have an idea that the reduction in the price of eggs will be only temporary.

Warships would be more admirable as preservers of peace if they could be so constructed as to be reasonably safe for the men who operate them.

A western contemporary wants to know what line is the most beautiful in the English language. "Inclosed find check" is a promising candidate.

The aviators now are getting married and giving up their air travels. Marriage is a thing calculated to bring the average man down to earth.

In a riot in a French town the rioters made the streets run with champagne. There must have been an unusual amount of spirit in that lively riot.

New York cab and taxi owners have petitioned the city council for permission to reduce their fares 25 per cent. We certainly live in an age of wonders.

We may now telegraph by telephone. At the rate modern invention is saving time our up-to-date year ought to last twice as long as the old style.

A French aviator has accomplished the feat of carrying five passengers in an airplane. Evidently killing them off one at a time is too slow for France.

Now it is possible to go around the world in a little over a month. Perhaps before this wonderful century ends we will be flying around it in a week.

A woman in Newark found a man hiding under the bed and promptly had him arrested. The traditional old feminine terrors are giving way before the modern woman.

"Don't," says Mr. Carnegie to the poor working girl. "refuse a man simply because he's a millionaire." But be wary of the fellow that has only about \$10,000 a year.

A rich Pittsburger who died recently left \$10,000 to his pretty stenographer. She probably was able to prevent people from writing him from making jokes about his spelling.

Sixty thousand words discovered by Professor Hale of the Mount Wilson observatory should mitigate the strenuousness of those acquisitive persons who seem bent on getting possession of this small specimen.

Wellesley students are to be taught the art of raising onions. Coming so soon after the announcement that an unusually large number of the Wellesley girls are about to be married, this is indeed significant.

A Gotham waitress lost nearly \$1,000 she had saved from tips, by the perjury of a designing lover. Plainly, no one had given her the most important tip of all about trusting to the specious promises of a borrowing wooer.

"Chicago," says a prominent citizen of that burg, "is a magic word." Too true. On meeting a stranger in a dark alley all one has to do is to ejaculate "Chicago" and said stranger will throw up his hands without further parley.

A Minneapolis divine tells us that there is more crime in that fair city than there is in Chicago. His boast will probably cause further activity among Chicago's leading crooks.

In the foothills above Yorba, Calif., a ranchman has seeded to Bermuda onions an acre and a half of land which had in the past been regarded as worthless for the production of crops. Worthless land ought to be sowed with turnips, if, as Abe Martin says, any kind of turnip crop is a fallow.

## B. T. WASHINGTON SEVERELY BEATEN

NEW YORK CARPENTER SAYS HE CAUGHT NEGRO EDUCATOR PEEPING IN KEY HOLE.

### RECEIVES A SCALP WOUND

Tuskegee President Asserts He Was Looking for Home of Associate—Woman Said Victim Had Addressed Her.

New York.—Booker T. Washington, the negro educator, was brought into the West Sixty-fifth street police station by a policeman, who had chased him up Central Park, west, after a scuffle in a hallway at 11½ West Sixty-third street. Albert Ulrich, a German carpenter, was arrested on Washington's complaint, charged with assault. Ulrich told the police he found Washington peering through a keyhole in an apartment at that address. Washington had two or three scalp wounds and was taken to Flower hospital for treatment.

Washington told Lieutenant Quinn he had been in town since Saturday. He said he received a telegram from the auditor of Tuskegee institute, D. E. Smith asking him to go to the home of Smith's cousin, also named Smith, at 11½ West Sixty-third street.

He said he first went to church and got to the Sixty-third street address about 9:15 p. m. He said he looked at the names on the bells in the vestibule of 11½, which is an apartment house, and was unable to find any one named Smith.

He said he may have stayed in front of the apartment for a few moments and went back a second time.

Ulrich says that as he asked for an explanation the negro struck at him and then fled up the street. Several of Ulrich's friends took up the chase.

In Flower hospital it was said that the patient had a cut over his left ear, but that he was able to leave the hospital soon after he was cared for.

Before Washington was taken to the Flower hospital, Mrs. Lola Ulrich appeared in the station house and said Washington was the man who had spoken to her in the hallway of the apartment house. She said Washington had said "Hello, sweetheart," to her, and that she had seen him walking up and down in front of the house for some time before this happened.

### 88,498 DIE OF PLAGUE

Disease in India Gains Such a Strong Hold That Efforts to Stop It Prove Useless.

London, Eng.—During the month of February the deaths from the plague in India reached the enormous total of 88,498.

The disease has become such a fixture in that country that its ravages are little heard of except through occasional official statistics.

The British India office reports that the epidemic was particularly violent this year and adds that the most persistent efforts to stamp it out have failed to effect a permanent improvement in the situation.

### 500 CATTLE CREMATED

Blaze in Chicago Stock Yards Burns Half Mile of Stock Pens—Yard Laborer Loses His Life.

Chicago.—One man, Cornelius Moran, 40, a yard laborer, and 500 head of cattle were burned in a fire at the Union stock yards here.

The blaze, started by the sparks of an engine, consumed over a half mile of pens and vadoes in the heart of the yards. Moran attempted to cross one of the burning vadoes, which gave way beneath him. He was precipitated into the mass of burning cattle. The property loss is \$75,000.

### POPE GIVES PEACE TERMS

Refuses to Renew Friendly Relations With Spain—Premier Advises Campaign of Defiance.

Madrid, Spain.—Hope of a compromise in the dispute between the Spanish government and the Vatican was dispelled by King Alfonso's receipt of the positive refusal of the pope to renew friendly relations unless all measures affecting the Catholic church in Spain are first submitted to the Vatican for approval.

The reply was submitted to Premier Canalejas, who urged that a rigid anti-clerical campaign in defiance of the pope begin at once.

Explosion Kills Three. Pueblo, Colo.—Three men were killed and five others severely injured by the explosion of an engine in the rod mill of the Minnesota steel plant of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company near here.

Census Dispute at Joliet. Joliet, Ill.—Joliet officials claim a mistake in the count of the census figures for this city. While the census department found only 34,570 people, the postoffice department reported it serves daily 47,789 patrons.

11 Injured in Explosion. Milwaukee, Wis.—Three men are dying in hospitals and eight are seriously injured as a result of a fire which caused a loss of \$100,000 damage to the plant of the Minnesota Steel and Iron company.

Grace Bryan to Wed. Lincoln, Neb.—Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bryan of the engagement of their daughter, Grace Dexter Bryan, to Richard Lewis Hargreaves, a young business man of Lincoln.

Jesuit Priest Is Dead. Baltimore, Maryland.—Mrs. Allen McDonnell, one of the oldest members of the Jesuit order in this country, died at Woodstock college, near here.

## LENTEN SEASON For All but the Politicians.



Satan—Believe Me, You Couldn't Make That Bunch Hear You With a Cannon.

## U. S. DEMAND OF MEXICO IS ORDER

JUSTICE AND INDEPENDENCE ARE REQUIRED, ROOSEVELT TELLS HEARERS AT EL PASO.

### TURMOIL HURTS BUSINESS

United States Demands of Its Neighbor That Order Should Reign on Their Borders, and Order Should be Established Upon Justice.

El Paso, Tex.—"All that the United States demands of Mexico is order, justice and independence," declared Theodore Roosevelt at a breakfast given in his honor by the Toltec club.

The colonel's remarks were the only utterance he has made on the Mexican situation, and came as a complete surprise to the members of his party.

Colonel Roosevelt led up to his observations on the Mexican trouble by saying the prosperity of his neighbors was a condition of the prosperity of any man. He declared that honest dealing between man and man was the only certain foundation of prosperity. The same thing was true, he said, of the relations of communities to each other.

### U. S. Demands Justice.

Pausing as thought to select his words, he then said that he thought he spoke for all Americans when he said that all the United States demanded of Mexico was order, justice, independence.

Continuing, he declared that this country wished to see all of its neighbors prosper, that his hearers who dwell along the southern border knew from experience how the "turmoil" to the south had affected business. He said that this country only demanded of its neighbors that order should reign in their borders, and that order should be established upon justice.

### DEADLOCK NEAR A BREAK

County Judge John R. Dixon May Be Candidate Who Will Be Elected in Colorado.

Denver, Colo.—Strong indications of a break in the deadlock that has prevented the election of a United States senator by the Colorado legislature were shown when seven votes were cast for County Judge John R. Dixon of Denver.

The report was current that all the platform Democrats and scattering votes would be united on Judge Dixon.

Des Moines, Iowa.—The joint ballot in the Iowa legislature for senator stood: Deemer, 37; Kenyon, 65; O'Connor (Dem.), 51; Porter (Dem.), 1; absent, 4; necessary to choice, 78.

Albany, N. Y.—The fifth ballot for United States senator showed no choice.

### Wireless Officials Indicted.

Louisville, Ky.—W. Young Kinley, president, and William Russell, secretary of the Southwestern Wireless company, were indicted by the federal grand jury on a charge of using the mails to defraud.

Taft Goes With Littleton. Augusta, Ga.—President Taft played golf with Representative Martin W. Littleton of New York. The weather was fine. Mr. Taft will remain with the president until he starts for the capital next Sunday.

Americans Missing, Aid Aaked. San Diego, California.—The navy department has been asked to send a warship to Ensenada, Lower California, in an attempt to locate a party of four Americans and a Mexican, among them two newspaper correspondents, who disappeared upon a trip toward that town.

Jesuit Priest Is Dead. Baltimore, Maryland.—Mrs. Allen McDonnell, one of the oldest members of the Jesuit order in this country, died at Woodstock college, near here.

## NINE INDICTED IN COAL LAND CASE

CHICAGO GRAND JURY CHARGES FRAUD PLOT TO GET 10,000 ACRES IN ALASKA.

### VALUED AT TEN MILLION

Former Railroad President, Bankers and Brokers Are Accused on Two Counts Drawn Under Conspiracy Statute.

Chicago, Ill.—Nine men, including a former railroad president, bankers, brokers and financiers, were indicted by the federal grand jury in the Matanuska river (Alaska) coal land cases. The men were indicted on charges of having conspired to defraud the United States government out of 10,000 acres of coal lands, valued at \$10,000,000. Those indicted are:

A. C. Frost, former president of the Alaska Northern railroad, former president and promoter of the Chicago-Milwaukee electric road and president of A. C. Frost & Co.

George M. Seward, Chicago, receiver for A. C. Frost & Co.

Pierre G. Beach, Chicago, former secretary of the Alaska Northern railroad, and secretary and treasurer of the Frost company.

Frank Watson, Spokane, Wash.

George A. Ball, Muncie, Ind., said to be a financial backer of Frost's.

Duncan M. Stewart, Seward, Alaska, formerly manager of the Southern Bank of Toronto, Canada.

Harry C. Osborne, Toronto; Gwyn L. Francis, Toronto, and Francis H. Stewart, Toronto. The last three are bankers and brokers.

### Two Counts in Indictment.

There are two counts in the indictment, which is drawn under what is known as the conspiracy statute. The penalty provided is a fine of \$10,000 or imprisonment for two years on all counts.

The land involved is situated on the Matanuska river, in Alaska, extending east from the Chickaloon river to King's river, and land on the north side of the Matanuska river and in the vicinity of Moose creek. There are two separate tracts known as the Watson group of coal claims, and the Matanuska Coal company group.

The conspiracy began at Chicago, April 1, 1908, according to the indictment, and Frost, Ball, Osborne and Gwyn L. Francis were to have been the chief beneficiaries.

Judge Landis directed that the defendants furnish bonds of \$5,000 each.

### To Tax All Bachelors.

Oconto, Wis.—The city council has adopted an ordinance imposing a tax of \$6 upon all unmarried men residing in the city between the ages of 21 and 50. The money raised in this manner is to be used for the support of orphans and other needy children.

### Spokane Under New Code.

Spokane, Wash.—Spokane entered upon its first commission municipal government, when administration of its affairs was taken over by the commissioners elected a week ago. Rev. William Hindley is mayor.

### Ask Senators to Quit.

Pana, Ill.—The Anti-Horse Thief association of Rosemond passed resolutions condemning Senator William Lorimer, and Senator Cullom for voting to seat Lorimer, demanding the resignation of both.

### Negro Held Up Hotel.

Washington, D. C.—A negro armed with a pistol walked into the Grand hotel here at 3 o'clock in the morning and held up the cashier and clerk. He obtained all the day's receipts, about \$200, and, backing out with his gun covering the employees, made his escape.

### Iowan, 77, Weds Girl, 20.

Neola, Iowa.—After being refused by Mrs. Mary Rodocker, W. H. Butler, aged 77, married her daughter, Miss Elsie Rodocker, aged 20.

## MISSOURI NEWS

### Better Roads Are Planned.

Springfield.—Fifty-eight road overseers of Greene county have decided, after a conference, to take up the matter of improving the public highways under a county-wide plan, and will during the coming years make greater improvement in the roads than ever has been attempted. The meeting held here disclosed the fact that last year about \$70,000 was spent in bettering the roads of the county. The money to be expended this year will, it is thought, exceed that amount.

### Full State Guard Ordered.

Jefferson City.—Orders from Adjutant General Frank Rumbold received here by the commanding officers of all branches of the Missouri national guard to recruit their commands to full strength. The orders apply to five infantry regiments, two batteries, two troops of cavalry, a company of signal corps, a hospital field corps and the aeronautic corps of St. Louis, which has two Blériot monoplane at its disposal.

### West Plains Men on Junket, 6 6

West Plains.—Members of the West Plains Commercial club left West Plains for St. Louis in a special Pullman car over the Frisco line. They arrived in St. Louis at 7 o'clock this morning, where they took breakfast at the Mercantile club as the guests of Col. Jay L. Torrey of Fruitville and dinner at the Missouri Athletic club as the guests of the Credit men.

### Kills Man Over Five Cents.

West Plains.—In a dispute over the price of a pair of plow points, in which only five cents was involved, Anderson Carter, a farmer, struck William A. George, bookkeeper at the Funkhouser-Davis hardware store in this city, over the head with a piece of iron, inflicting a wound from which George died three hours later.

### Sedalia Booms Rock Roads.

Sedalia.—A meeting of Pettis county farmers and business men held here for the purpose of discussing good roads decided to petition the Pettis county court to call a special election for the purpose of voting an issue of \$400,000 in bonds to build ten rock roads, radiating from Sedalia.

### Pew's Appointment Is Urged.

Louisiana.—Lawyers and friends, irrespective of politics, are urging the appointment of James E. Pew of this city for the new judgeship for the Thirty-fifth judicial circuit, composed of Pike, Lincoln and St. Charles counties. Mr. Pew has been a practicing attorney for a number of years.

### Hadley Makes Appointments.

Jefferson City.—Gov. Hadley appointed Charles W. Green of Brookfield and J. H. Wood of Shelbyville members of the board of regents of the Kirkwood Normal school. Each is to serve for a term of six years from January, 1911. Their names were sent to the senate for confirmation.

### St. Louis in Glee Club's Itinerary.

Fulton.—Frank L. Tinkham, manager of the Glee club of Westminster college, announces that the tour of the club the latter part of April will include St. Louis. St. Charles, Hannibal and Troy. Mr. Tinkham is being assisted in training the chorus by Mrs. Anna Hamilton of Fulton.

### Former Guard Now Convict.

St. Joseph.—Neil Gapt, a former penitentiary guard, who was let out when he killed a negro in Jefferson City, of which offense he was acquitted, was sentenced to the penitentiary for two years on the charge of obtaining money by false pretenses.

### Jury Awards Widow \$10,000.

Moberly.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Ethel Thompson against the Washburn Railroad company, seeking \$12,000 damages for the death of her husband in a collision near Glenwood, Mo., in August, 1909, returned a verdict for \$10,000.

### Pastor Accepts Call.

Monroe City.—Rev. W. W. Laughlin, for five years pastor of Grace Baptist church of Monroe, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Marshfield, Mo. He will take charge of his new work April 1.

### Undershirts Suits a Bullet.

Joplin.—Three suits of underwear probably saved the life of John Brown, an aged rapist and resident of Kansas City Bottoms. Three men entered his shanty and shot him in an effort to wrest from him \$16.

### Kills Self; Wife Is at Funeral.

Nevada.—W. G. Dakin, a farmer residing four miles east of Nevada, shot and killed himself. His wife was on her way home from Cabool, Mo., where she had been to attend her mother's funeral.

### Lived Eighty-Seven Years in County.

Moberly.—Mrs. Arminia Bardin, 87 years old, died at her country home near Moberly. Mrs. Bardin was born near the place where she died and her entire life was spent in Randolph county.

### University Curators Named.

Jefferson City.—Governor Hadley appointed J. D. Swift of Kansas City and T. L. Zwick of St. Joseph members of the board of curators of the state university, each to serve six years from January 1, 1911.

### To Ring Door Bells in Soul-Hunt.

Joplin.—To obtain the religious predilections of every person in Joplin the churches have joined in dividing the city into 113 districts, in each of which committees have been appointed to make a house-to-house canvass.

### Company C on War Footing.

Kirksville.—Capt. Leo E. Ewing of Company C, Fourth regiment, National Guard Missouri, recruited his company to full strength, 69 men, in accordance with orders from Adj. Gen. Rumbold.

## Acts of the Missouri Law Makers.

### Late Bills Passed.

The senate passed the following bills during its closing day:

By Senator Chinn: Requiring railroads to furnish cuspidors for use of passengers on trains.

Senator Dunwoody: Enlarging powers of railroad commissioners so that they may regulate switching and re-consigning charges.

Senator Chinn: Requiring railroads to furnish ample coaches to comfortably seat all passengers.

Senator Hawkins: Permitting railroad commissioners to compel railroads to place gates, alarm bells and other protective apparatus at road crossings where needed.

Senator Oliver: Transferring cases involving \$7,500 from the supreme court to courts of appeals, with emergency clause.

Senator Dunwoody: Providing penalty for destruction of telephone and telegraph wires or for molesting them.

Senator Gardner: Permitting incorporation in St. Louis county of small hamlets adjacent to cities of the third class.

By Lewis: Empowering school boards in thinly populated districts to make provisions for transporting school children who live at a distance to and from school.

By Paynter: Conferring authority on the pure-food department to enter premises in searching for illegal foods or drugs.

By McCarty: Limiting the time when constables must make returns on executions to 30 days.

By Harris: Allowing rejected jurors in justice courts 75 cents each.

Passed by the house:

By Gossett: Bringing Jackson, Green, Jasper, Buchanan and St. Louis counties within the provisions of the juvenile court act.

By Valentine: Making it a misdemeanor for any drunken person to enter a school house for any purpose.

By Rooney: Adding a 10 per cent penalty to judgments obtained against fire insurance companies that resist payment of just claims.

By Lisle: Exempting receipted promissory notes of insurance companies where the same were paid in this state, from the 2 per cent tax that is imposed upon the gross business of such organizations.

By McCarty: Amending the law so that when a dramshop keeper dies his heirs may receive back the unused part of his license at its actual value.

By Harris: Giving administrators of estates of foreigners the power of attorney.

By Cooper: Empowering school districts to make provisions for school libraries.

By Gossett: Imposing a fine of \$1,000 on persons who circulate false reports about persons, firms and corporations regarding their financial conditions. The real object sought is to protect banks from runs based upon false statements as to their financial condition.

By Simmons: Fixing the weight of fish one may legally take in a day with a kite or spear, save in the Mississippi or Missouri rivers, at five pounds.

By Dollarhide: Making it legal for an unauthorized pastor of a church to solemnize marriages.

The senate concurred in the house amendments to the two enabling acts concerning the proposition of a new state capitol. These measures will now go to the governor for his approval.

### Capital Election Date Fixed.

Bills fixing August 1 as the date for the special new capitol election and providing for a board of four commissioners to supervise the construction of the building passed the house. Both measures had been previously approved by the senate.

The passage of these bills insures the submission of the \$3,500,000 capitol proposition to the people on August 1. In the event of an adverse vote at the special election the \$5,000,000 bond issue will be submitted in the shape of a constitutional amendment at the general election in November, 1912.

### County Option Passes.

The house passed the county unit measure by a vote of 74 to 58. The precinct local option measure, affecting cities of more than 50,000 persons, was defeated by a vote of 57 to 55.

### Immigration Measure Engrossed.

The democratic legislative caucus measure relating to the state board of immigration was called up in the senate at the instance of Senator McAllister and adopted.

### Convict Labor Abolished.

Gov. Hadley signed the bill providing for the abolishment of the contract labor system, as fast as the state provides other employment.

### Dramshop Bill Passed.

The senate passed a bill prohibiting dramshops being licensed except in incorporated cities and towns.

### Condemned Gunner Reprieved.

Victoria, B. C.—Gunner Thomas Allen, who was sentenced to hang for murdering Capt. Peter Elliston on August 1 last, and was to have been executed Wednesday morning, was reprieved until April 5.

### Sculptor's Home Burned.

Madison, Wis.—The home of Max Zimmerman, the sculptor, was destroyed by fire. Mrs. Zimmerman and baby had a narrow escape, the little one's clothing being on fire when she was carried out of the house.

### Kansas Utilities Bill Signed.

Topoka, Kan.—Governor Shubbs has signed the public utilities commission bill. The bill limits the jurisdiction of the commission to state-wide utilities, leaving local utilities under the jurisdiction of local governments.

### Can't See His Sick Son.

Kirksville.—Hastening home, Secretary of the Interior Walter L. Fisher returned to Chicago to find his 14-year-old son, Frederick, seriously ill of diphtheria. Mr. Fisher was unable to see him because of the quarantine.

## WOMAN ESCAPES OPERATION

Was Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Elwood, Ind.—"Your remedies have cured me and I have only taken six bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I was sick three months and could not walk. I suffered all the time. The doctors said I could not get well without an operation, for I could hardly stand the pains in my sides, especially my right one